

The Oblates of the Virgin Mary at SAINT FRANCIS CHAPEL

Encountering the Heart of Christ in the Heart of Boston

Easter Sunday — April 1, 2018



Christ in Landscape (Christ on the Way to Emmaus), Franz Joachim Beich

At Easter 2008, Pope Benedict XVI referred to the fact that the Emmaus spoken of in the Gospel has not yet been definitely identified. "There are various hypotheses, and this in itself is suggestive, because it means we can think that Emmaus really represents everywhere: the road to Emmaus is the road of every Christian, even of every man and woman. The Risen Jesus becomes our traveling companion to rekindle the fire of faith and hope in our hearts, and to break the bread of eternal life" (Benedict XVI, Angelus, 6 April 2008).

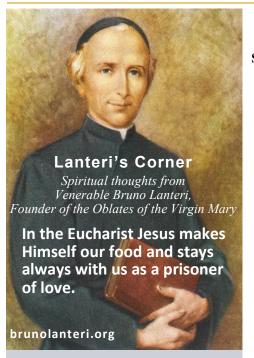
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EASTER NOVENA SCHEDULE Sunday, April 1 — 8:00 AM Monday, April 2 — 12:05 PM Tuesday, April 3 — 4:45 PM Wednesday, April 4 — 8:00 AM Thursday, April 5 — 12:05 PM Friday, April 6 — 4:45 PM Saturday, April 7 — 5:30 PM Sunday, April 8 — 5:30 PM Monday, April 9 — 12:05 PM

CHAPEL SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses

Saturday Vigil 4:00 PM, 5:30 PM, 7:00 PM (en español): Sunday 8:00 AM, 9:15 AM, 10:30 AM, 11:45 AM, 1:15 PM (en español), 4:00 PM, 5:30 PM

Weekday Masses Monday - Friday 8:00 AM, 12:05 PM, 4:45 PM; Saturday 9:00 AM, 12 PM

Confessions

Monday - Friday 11:15 -11:50 AM, 12:45 - 4:15 PM; Saturday 9:45 - 11:45 AM, 12:45 - 3:30 PM

Devotions

Tuesday after Mass: Memorare; Thursday after Mass: St. Jude; Monday -Friday after 4:45 p.m. Mass: Rosary

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Monday - Friday 8:30-11:45 AM, 1:00-4:30 PM;
Saturday 9:30 - 11:30 AM 12:30 - 3:30 PM;
Sunday 2:30-3:30 PM

Gift Shop Hours
Mon., Tues., Wed., Fri. 10:00 AM - 5:30 PM;
Thursday - closed;
Saturday 9:30 AM - 6:45 PM*;
Sunday 8:45 AM - 5:30 PM*

(*Closed during Sunday Masses and Saturday Vigil Masses)

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Wed., April 4 — 4:45 PM Thu., April 5 — 8:00 AM Fri., April 6 — 12:05 PM Sat., April 7 — 7:00 PM Sun., April 8 — 4:00 PM Mon., April 9 — 4:45 PM Tue., April 10 — 4:45 PM Wed., April 11 — 4:45 PM Thu., April 12 — 12:05 PM

The Chapel Gift Shop Item of the Week...

Jesus, I Trust In You! Selected Prayers of St. Faustina

This handy booklet contains an explanation of the essence of devotion to Divine Mercy — trust; and the disposition that we should have toward our neighbor — mercy. It contains selected prayers of St. Faustina and the novena. It also explains the origins, meaning, and the graces that Our Lord longs to shower upon us through the Image of the Divine Mercy, Divine Mercy Sunday, Chaplet, Hour of Mercy and Spreading the devotion to Divine Mercy. A brief yet good summary of St. Faustina's life and mission is also included. Divine Mercy Sunday is the



Sunday after Easter Sunday. St. Faustina's relic is permanently displayed at the chapel.



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"There were two disciples on their way to Emmaus. They were walking along at a normal pace, like so many other travelers on that road. And there, without any fuss, Jesus appeared to them, and walked with them, his conversation helping to alleviate their tiredness. I can well imagine the scene, just as dusk was falling. A gentle breeze was blowing. All around were fields rich with growing wheat, and venerable olive trees, their branches shimmering in the soft glowing light" (St. Josemaria Escriva, *Friends of God*, no. 313).

Our Lord's presence must have inspired them with great trust, because with just a couple of sentences, he had them pouring out their hearts to him. "Christ understands their sorrow; he sees into their heart and communicates to them some of the life he carries within himself" (St. Josemaria Escriva, *Christ is Passing By*, no. 105). Their hopes that Jesus would set Israel free had ended at the Crucifixion. When they left Jerusalem they knew that his body was no longer in the tomb, and that the women said they had been told of his Resurrection by angels; but they did not believe it (Lk 24: 17-24). They were sad and their faith was wavering. Then Jesus said to them, "O foolish men, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?' And beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself" (Lk 24:25-27).

What a conversation that must have been! But "the journey ended when they reached the village. The two disciples who, without realizing it, had been deeply stirred by the words and love shown by God made Man, were sorry to see him leaving. For Jesus 'made as if to go on further'" (*Friends of God* no. 314). However, "the two disciples stopped him and practically forced him to stay with them" (*Christ is Passing By*, no. 105). They begged him, "Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent" (Lk 24:29). Jesus stayed, "and when he was at table with them, he

took the bread and blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. And their eyes were opened and they recognized him; and he vanished out of their sight. They said to each other, 'Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the scriptures?'" (Lk 24:30-32).



The reaction of the disciples at Emmaus, who got up there and then and returned to Jerusalem (cf. Lk 24:33), is a lesson for all of us. "Our eyes are opened, as were those of Cleophas and his companion, when Christ breaks the bread; and, though he vanishes once more from sight, we too will find strength to start out once more – though night is falling – to tell the others about him, because so much joy cannot be kept in one heart alone. The road to Emmaus: our God has filled this name with sweetness. Now the entire world has become an Emmaus, for the Lord has opened up all the divine paths of the earth" (*Friends of God* no. 314).

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sunday, April 1

8:00 AM Easter Mass League 9:15 AM + Alexander Whipple 10:30 AM + Mary Agnes Maciora

11:45 AM + Johanna Doran

1:15 PM (esp) + Ana Berrio y + Abrahan Lopez

4:00 PM Holy Souls in Purgatory 5:30 PM Maria Tandjungan

Monday, April 2

8:00 AM + Josephine Altieri 12:05 PM Easter Mass League 4:45 PM Br. Francis, FPO

Tuesday, April 3

8:00 AM Richard & Carol McCulloch —

health

12:05 PM + Gregory Salvaggio 4:45 PM Easter Mass League

Wednesday, April 4

8:00 AM Easter Mass League

12:05 PM + Margaret & + Walter Doherty

4:45 PM + Fr. Greg Staab, OMV

Thursday, April 5

8:00 AM + Fr. Greg Staab, OMV 12:05 PM Easter Mass League 4:45 PM + Antonio Carnevale

Friday, April 6

8:00 AM Holy Souls in Purgatory 12:05 PM + Fr. Greg Staab, OMV 4:45 PM Easter Mass League

Saturday, April 7

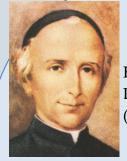
9:00 AM Holy Souls in Purgatory 12:00 PM + Consuelo Monzon

4:00 PM P.J. Devine — birthday 5:30 PM Easter Mass League 7:00 PM (esp) + P. Greg Staab, OMV

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The Founder of the Oblates of the Virgin Mary.

Declared "Venerable" the first step to
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